EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF NEW ZEALAND AND SWEDEN CONCERNING THE MUTUAL ABOLITION OF VISAS

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Mr. Peter Fraser to Mr. Erland Kleen

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SIR,

I have the honour to refer to our various discussions concerning arrangements to permit of freedom of travel between our two countries and to suggest that an agreement in the following terms be concluded for the mutual abolition of *visas* for travel between New Zealand and Sweden:—

- "(1) Swedish citizens shall be free to travel to New Zealand by any route without the necessity of obtaining a *visa* in advance provided they are furnished with valid Swedish passports.
- "(2) Holders of valid passports bearing on the cover the inscription 'British passport: Dominion of New Zealand' and, inside, a description of the holder's national status as 'British subject' shall be free to travel to Sweden by any route without the necessity of obtaining a visa in advance.
- "(3) It is understood that the waiver of the visa requirement does not exempt Swedish citizens and British subjects travelling respectively to New Zealand and to Sweden from the necessity of complying with the New Zealand and Swedish laws and regulations concerning the entry, residence (temporary or permanent) and employment or occupation of foreigners, and that travellers who are unable to satisfy the Immigration authorities that they comply with these laws and regulations are liable to be refused leave to enter or land.